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Alternates to Microsoft Windows, such as Mac and Linux, will never be successful until standard Microsoft applications like Microsoft Office work equally well for all operating systems. When the same company owns the operating system and the applications, there is no incentive to create compatible versions for your competition.

Microsoft's applications have become the defacto standard for most businesses. Even though Microsoft Windows is greatly inferior to other available operating systems, there is no choice for the consumer because the applications needed for performing the most common tasks are not available for other environments.

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